

REMARKS

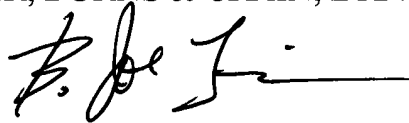
Claims 17-20 and 23-24 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 7-8, 12 and 14 of U.S. Pat. No. 6,670,057. A Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith to overcome this rejection, withdrawal of which is respectfully requested.

The present invention is now believed to be in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The Examiner should contact Applicants' undersigned attorney if a telephone conference would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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